

CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1.
"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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EXTREMES AND EXTREMISTS

Extravagant Views and Excessive Notions Most Always Cause More or Less Trouble.

The Bible Followed Closely is a Cure for All Ills.

Satan is a wily foe. He is working in these days in his cunning way the same as in former years. He know his time is short so he has to work fast. He has the power to transform himself until he is sometimes taken for the Holy Ghost. He can be very pious and religious when it is to his advantage. He can be vile and murderous just as well. Anything with him to get control.

When there are extremes and extremists satan is not very far away. There is no difficulty to the careful observer to see that there are many extremists in these days, and the strong influences of satan draw real spiritual people into this trap very frequently. If people will not be openly sinful and engage in wickedness, but undertake to be religious and spiritual, then it is his business to overbalance them and run them into the opposite extreme and make them fanatical.

It has been our purpose for years to use our influence in holding people on equilibrium. Extremes are dangerous. Extremists are even more dangerous because they are usually the authors or inventors of extremes. That there are extremes and extremists in these days is evidenced by the extremes that exist. His satanic magesty has not altogether left the writer without having made a tremendous effort to force him into extremes on religious lines. But these have been fought down by the intervention of the good and loving Spirit of God who came to our rescue before having made a complete shipwreck. Thanks be unto God.

When any one begins to launch out into extravagant views and fanciful notions, and at the same time seem to be more religious than ever, that person is approaching a

danger line. Not that we can be too good, but there is indifference in being good and being an extremist. Extravagant views and excessive notions most always cause more or less trouble. It is such an easy matter for some people to discover something important, as they think, and saddle their "hobby" and ride it and it ride till they get sore, and if they ever do get able to dismount and try to walk again they limp like one that has been crippled. Indeed they have been crippled. And any one will get crippled that makes a hobby of any part of the teaching of the Bible to the neglect of other parts.

To illustrate: It would be in the extreme to emphasize the sign of casting out devils and disregard the other signs, or lay hands on the sick and leave off the tongues or taking up of serpents. So it would be just as extravagant to emphasize the sign of taking up serpents and neglect the other signs. Each of these signs has its place among the signs but not alone. Neither one of them alone can be made a test of salvation. If any one of them can be made a test of fellowship then each one can be taken for this with no distinction. If this was the case the person that takes up the serpent could say to him that lays hands on the sick, "you have no salvation if you do not take up a serpent," or the one that talks in tongues could say to him that is sanctified, "you have no salvation because you have not talked in tongues." No, we must not magnify one and diminish the other. Neither must we make a hobby of these signs and neglect the gifts and fruits of the Spirit. A close study of the 12th chapter of 1 Corinthians will place all on an equality, and give every individual his proper place,

and the other person that fills another place will have no reason to say the other man is out of order because he does not occupy his place.

People get on extremes sometimes about dress. Some get so enthused about their absence of pride, and plainness of dress, that they actually become immodest and slouchy. Then others want to make a great show and dress up on the other extreme and look as unsightly as the one in the opposite extreme. These extremes should be avoided. "Modest apparel" is the law we are to follow. When this advice is followed one will try to dress according to a due sense of propriety. By doing this there will be no extremes either way. There are extremes and extremes, but of all the extravagant extremes that should be banished so far that they could never be found again, they are certainly the extremes that sometimes exist between husbands and wives relative to their relation to each other. There is the wife that so dominates her husband that he always has to ask her permission before he can do anything. She runs the business and manages the affairs and her husband too.

On the other hand there is the husband that takes advantage of the Scriptures and reads where the wife is to obey her husband in everything and undertakes to dictate to her as if she had no sense or was incapable of combing her own hair without he stands over her and bosses her. He tells her what to cook for dinner and how to prepare it. He wont let her make any purchases at the store without he tells her to, and just what to buy. He goes so far in this that he tells her how to make the beds, and how to comb and arrange the children's hair, and just what clothes she must put on them. She is not allowed to handle any money nor know anything about her husband's business, but he has to know every minute detail of hers. She can't go to Sunday school or meeting without first getting his consent, and he has to tell her to go before she has any liberty to get ready. No matter what extremely hard thing to do, she has to do it

because he has told her to do it and piles it upon her by telling her that she will go to hell if she does not obey him in everything.

A man that will take advantage of a bosom companion, a woman that Paul calls the "weak vessel" and heap upon her such requirements as named above is not a true husband. He that will impose such minute duties upon his wife as named above and dictate to her as if she was incapable of anything, and then tell her if she does not obey him in everything she will go to hell, is not fit to have a wife and is not far from being on the very road he says she will go if she disobeys him. Such excessive notions, if there are any, must be put away from men who are members of the Church of God.

We admit that the Bible teaches that the wives are to be subject to their husbands, but the same Book tells the husbands to "love your wives and give honor to them." Where is the love a husband has for his wife if he takes all her liberty away from her and dictates everything about the house, and household duties, and tells her she will go to hell if she does not obey him. It is time such a man should learn what it is to love and honor his wife and keep his own place.

What about a husband loving his wife if he heaps burdens upon her that she is not able to bear? It is bad enough for an ungodly or sinful husband to do such as this without one professing salvation and the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Dear brothers, I love you good enough to talk to you out of a father's heart, and advise you to treat your wives as bosom companions and not as slaves. And while the Book does require your wife to be subject to you, do not go on extremes and make her life a burden by requiring more of her than is reasonable and right. Abstain from extremes on this line as well as anything else. Let her be the "queen of the house."

Listen: The Book shows that "all should obey them that have the rule over you," but it also says to the rulers that they shall not be as lords over

God's heritage. It says the younger must be subject to the elder, and it also says, "All of you be subject one to another." The Bible followed closely is a cure for allills. There will be no extremes or extremists in our ranks if we obey this Word rightly divided. It will do away with extravagant views and excessive notions. It will keep us off of all such snags as named above. It will set the husband in the right place as a husband and father. It will cause the husband to love his wife as he promised to do when he married her, and bestow upon her due honor and respect. This Word obeyed by a husband will keep him from dictating to his wife in everything pertaining to household duties. The same Word obeyed by the wife will keep her from "henpecking" her husband. In fact it will make a happy home, a loving husband, and a sweet gentle wife.

This kind of a wife can be trusted to make the beds, prepare the dinner, make purchases at the store, dress and care for the children's hair, and if the husband will let her alone about her household duties she will make him a paradise to enter when his day's work is over. A real Christian husband will bring a sweet heavenly atmosphere with him as he enters such a home, and what a pleasant greeting on the part of both husband and wife.

Another extreme notion that should not be made too prominent is that of saying all the time that "the Lord shows me" to do certain things and go certain places. While we do want the Lord to lead us, and He is our guide, but there is an extreme in this that should be avoided. Some say they want to be subject to those that have the rule over them, and sometimes the next you hear, that very person has taken the reins in his own hands and fallen into extravagant notions, teachings and actions.

One feels led of the Lord to be pastor at a certain place. Another feels led of the Lord to be pastor at the same place. This brings a

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Aniston, Ala,

Dear Brother Tomlinson:—
Greetings in Jesus' name.

Have just closed a battle
against sin in Cleburne coun-
ty. The Lord was with us
and gave us a good number
of souls. Since some time in
June about twenty-five have
been added to the Church of
God. We baptized twenty-
five in water last Saturday,
more to follow.

The Helican band was
with us. Their music drew
large crowds, giving us an
opportunity of sowing the
seed, which I expect to spring
up and come to fruitage.
Some of it is already for har-
vesting and the reapers there
are busy.

We joined brother
Gann and wife last Saturday
at "Four Miles" ten miles
out from Aniston. A few
have received the Holy
Ghost. We are asked to
move tonight, the place is
jammed and the crowds are
large and they destroy the
crops with vehicles for want
of room. We go from here
to Dividing Ridge, Tenn.
with brother Gann then to
Piedmont and on as the Lord
directs. Am out to stay.

Pray for us.

Thy brother,

J. B. Ellis.

NOTICE

Dear Saints:

I am in need of a gospel
tent. I am preaching out in
the open air. My lungs are
very weak and will soon
break down if I do not get
somewhere else to preach.

If every member would give
fifty cents I could have a

good shelter to preach in. I
am willing for this tent to be
the property of the Church of
God should I fail to use it
in the service of the church.

Send your offerings to A.
J. Tomlinson, 2525 Gault St.,
Cleveland, Tenn., and he
can turn it over to the tent
makers.

Pray over this and act at
once.

Your humble servant,
J. W. Buckalew.

Empire, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and
Evangel Readers:

We have just closed a two
weeks' meeting at Bethel
Church (seven miles from
Empire) conducted by brother
Wm. Allen.

Brother Robinson had been
firing at the enemy three days
when we arrived.

Brother Charlie Crow and
wife from Flat Creek spent
a few days with us. We
had a hard battle to fight but
God gave the victory. There
were several saved and sanctified
and ten received the
Holy Ghost.

We left the little band at
Bethel rejoicing over the
souls saved, the saints revived,
backsliders reclaimed, and the Church of God built
up.

The meeting here at Empire
began last night, conducted
by Z. D. Simpson and wife,
and sister Ollie Bowie, and brother Reynolds.

Uncle Ben Robinson and
wife seventy-one years of
age came to the altar seeking
the Holy Ghost. Pray that God will give us many
souls at this place.

Yours in His service,
Fred Chambers,
and Wife.

Shaw, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and

All the Saints:—Greetings.
I am praising the dear Lord
for victory in my soul.

We have just closed a
meeting here. Sister Lee
was here when we came. The
Lord blessed in a wonderful
way. The number saved
and baptized with the
Holy Ghost was between
twelve and fifteen. We had
baptizing last Sunday, and
the Lord's supper and feet
washing. The saints shouted
and danced and talked in
other tongues.

Among the number baptiz-
ed with the Holy Ghost was
a Missionary Baptist preacher
and his wife.

We will preach afew days
to the colored people here
and then go to Pittsburg Ga.

There is a sick boy here
by the name of Turner. He
wants to be saved and heal-

ed. May all the saints pray
for him, also for his father
and mother that they may
be saved.

Pray for us that we may
be brave soldiers for Jesus.

Ed Goddard.
G.W. Taylor.

Istachatta Meeting.

Well, the dear Lord has
given us a most gracious
meeting three miles out in
the country from Istachatta
at Rock Hill school house. It
was wonderful to see the
power of God work upon
the hearts of the people. As
the Word was preached in
the power of the Spirit, con-
viction would seize the sin-
ners, who would just come
to the altar crying to God for
mercy. It was a beautiful
sight to see them come
through with bright faces
ready to tell of the sweet joy
and peace that filled their
hearts. Praise God! After
service they would come to
us asking us to pray for them.

I never saw the power of
God work as it did there.
The country for miles around
was stirred. It was just
blessed to see how the dear
sinners were drawn to us,
and seemed to love us, as
they realized we were
preaching the pure, unadul-
terated gospel, with power in
it to keep from sin.

The power fell in nearly
every service. Ten received
the blessed baptism of the
Holy Ghost, and when they
received, it was just beauti-
ful to see how eager they
were to help others, and
made good workers. It was
soul-stirring to hear their
ringing testimonies, with
faces all aglow with heaven-
ly sunlight, while joy unspeakable
and full of glory
filled their very souls. Hal-
lelujah!

Most all who received the
Holy Ghost were saved in
the meeting. Besides these,
about ten or more were either
saved or sanctified. We
closed the meeting with a
cottage prayer meeting, in
which there were a number
of new seekers crying to God
for salvation. I never saw
such actual crying over sins
as during this meeting. The
people were so kind to us,
and tried to make everything
as comfortable as possible.

We shall never forget
these precious people, who
are dear to our hearts. We
had the Lord's supper and
feet washing, ten were bap-
tized in water, and set the
church in order with nine
members, with more to fol-
low soon, also more to be
baptized in water. They
are anxious to have Church

of God preachers stop over
and preach for them.

Brother Dan Fussell and
brother Merit from Webster,
were with us part of the
time, and were a great help
in the meeting. Both are
very consecrated young men.
God bless them, and give
them many souls.

May God bless all of these
precious people abundantly,
and lead them on to greater
things.

Coveting your earnest
prayers, we are yours in His
service.

C. M. Padgett.
A. C. Brawner.

A Note.

The meeting in Knoxville
still goes on. Some are great-
ly blessed, while some are
complaining.

We began in the old Park
about July 15th and continued
about three weeks. Some were becoming very
much interested, and the
crowds were increasing
greatly, but we were hindered
by the enemy. We are
now at Elm street, with a
fine prospect for a good
meeting. The good Lord
seems to be pleased with our
change for He is manifesting
Himself in a mighty way.

When coming to Knox-
ville don't fail to make a trip
to Elm street, for something
good is going to come of it.
We expect to continue for a
time indefinite. Come and
enjoy a great feast. Friends,
brothers and sisters have
been visiting us from Mor-
ristown. All seem to enjoy
themselves well.

We do earnestly desire
the prayers of all the saints
for this work, as it has been
greatly divided, but we feel
sure things are being adjust-
ed some. This is a large city
and so much to be done, we
need help, so pray much for
us.

Your brother in the war
for Jesus,

M. S. Lemons.

Okeechobee, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and
All the Saints:

I want to ask each one of
you to pray for an afflict-
ed sister at this place. She
had never heard of divine
healing in its fullness until a
friend myself were there the
other night. So please pray
a special prayer for her.

Your sister in Jesus,
Mrs. Lillie M. Crews.

Prayers Wanted.

Every one that reads this
please pray a special prayer
for me that God will heal my
body, and direct husband
and me what to do, as we
are undecided at present. I
know He is able and will.

Mrs. E. M. Loggins,
Rome, Ga.

Subscriptions for Assembly Building.

By order of the Assembly
the names of those who
pledged to pay into the build-
ing fund appear below. As
the amounts are paid the
names will be discontinued
as a receipt for same.

While every precaution is
taken to guard against mis-
takes, yet if any should occur
we will take pleasure in mak-
ing proper corrections.

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An Incident in Finney's Life

Sam C. Petty.

The name of Charles G. Finney will doubtless be remembered as long as time shall last in connection with some of the most marvelous revivals of religion in modern times.

Mr. Finney in his early life devoted himself to the study of law, in which profession he was for a time engaged. In reading the Bible in connection with law, he discovered that the professed Christians were not meeting the conditions laid down in the Word of God, hence were not getting the answers to their prayers, and the revivals for which they prayed therefore did not come.

After a time he was led to give himself unconditionally to God, and his conversion was most powerful, and his subsequent experiences were most extraordinary.

Being assured that God wanted him to preach, he at once gave up law and went into the work of the ministry. Few men, if any, have ever equaled him as a soul-winner. His experiences in prayer and travailing for souls are an inspiration to any degree of grace. We give below an experience which is related by him.

At the close of a service in a certain place an old man came to Mr. Finney and said, "Can you not come and preach in our neighborhood? We have never had any religious preaching there." I enquired the direction and the distance and appointed to preach there the next afternoon (Monday) at 5 o'clock, in their school house. I had preached three times in the village, and attended two prayer meetings on the Lord's day; and on Monday I went on foot to fulfil this appointment. The weather was very warm that day and before I arrived there I felt almost too faint to walk, and greatly discouraged in my mind. I sat down in the shade by the wayside, and felt as if I was too faint to reach there, and if I did, too much discouraged to open my mouth to the people. When I arrived I found the house full, and immediately commenced the service by reading a hymn. As soon as they had closed singing I cast myself down upon my knees, almost in a state of desperation. The Lord opened the windows of heaven upon me, and gave me great enlargement and power in prayer. Up to this moment I had no idea of what

ing around for a few moments I knelt down and put my hand on the head of a young man who was kneeling at my feet, and engaged in prayer for mercy on his soul; I got his attention and preached Jesus in his ear. In a few moments he seized Jesus by faith, and then broke out in prayer for those around him. I then turned to another in the same way, and with the same result; and then another and another, till I know not how many had laid hold of Christ, and were full of prayer for others.

After continuing in this till nearly sunset, I was obliged to commit the meeting to the charge of the old gentleman who had invited me, and go to fulfil and appointment in another place for the evening. In the afternoon of the next day I was sent for to go down to this place, as they had not been able to break up the meeting. They had been obliged to leave the school house, to give place to the school; but had removed to a private house near by, where I found a number of persons still too anxious and too much loaded down with conviction to go to their homes. These were subdued by the word of God, and I believe all obtained a hope before they went home.

Observe I was a total stranger in that place, had never seen or heard of it until as I have related. But here at my second visit, I learned that the place was called Sodom, by reason of its wickedness; and the old man who had invited me was called Lot, because he was the only professor of religion in the place.

After this manner the revival broke out in this neighborhood.

Maitland, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Dear Saints and Readers of the little Evangel:—Greetings in Jesus' sweet name.

Well praise the Lord my soul is filled with glory, and my mouth with praises to the God of our salvation; for what he has permitted my eyes to see and my ears to hear of the wonderful way in which he is working in the earth today; with all who will let Him have His way with them. Hallelujah!

I have just returned from Instachatta, Fla. where brother Carl Padgett and Clyde Brawner were carrying on a meeting. Brother Dan Fussell and Merit had been assisting but left before I got there. They had quite a battle with the enemy at first, as there

had been some there who caused this way to be evil spoken of. But glory to Jesus as their united prayers rose up as sweet incense it touched the great loving heart of our Father and He gave the power and unction of His Spirit to reach hearts, as they poured forth the eternal truth of His Word, well saturated with the oil of divine love, the strong holds of the enemy were broken down and the people began to say of a certainty this is of God. He is speaking to us and with deep conviction on their faces would fall on the altar crying aloud to God for mercy.

It has been my privilege to attend a great many pentecostal meetings and a number of large camp meetings but I have never seen deeper conviction or more earnest seeking than I witnessed at that meeting. The altar would be so full, and so thick around that it was with difficulty the workers could get to them. As we worked at the altar we would hear a cry in the congregation and another would fall at the altar. There was so little of the man fearing spirit, perfectly fearless in their wrestling with God for salvation. As soon as God spake peace to their souls in the forgiveness of sins they would get up and testify to what He had done for them and go right down for sanctification and baptism of the Holy Ghost.

We would keep the altar service up till 11 or 12 o'clock; and after we dismissed many would stay there seeking or go to the woods, where the cries for mercy and shouts of victory were intermingled from different groups for a distance around.

Some I spoke to who had to drive seven or eight miles with their little children in wagons said they had been there every night

would think each time they would rest the next night but as time to go came, there seemed to be a power drawing and they could not stay away. It was truly God working, and to Him be all the glory. Hallelujah!

We could not keep an entire estimate of the saved and sanctified; but feel sure there was not less than 20 saved, 15 sanctified, and 10 received the Holy Ghost, up to the time that I left, was only there a week. The meeting was still going on full blast with the altar crowded. Most of those who received the baptism, got through in the cottage meetings for seekers. I have always thought the tarrying meetings for seekers best, as they do

not have the dense unbelief of the crowd to battle against. Glory to Jesus it was a real benediction to be there for the real shekinah glory would fill the house as one after another would arise with a real halo of glory and beaming faces talking in tongues and magnify God then go right to work to help some one else through. Oh! it was wonderful the real presence, and working power of God. I can't express it, you would have to be there to understand it. But it was joy unspeakable and full of glory. Praise the Lord!

Brother Tomlinson I feel like I have taken a deeper plunge myself away from the shore lines out into the deep calm waters of God's eternal peace and rest. Hallelujah! help me shout. For praise His sweet name I feel I have more to praise Him for than most any one else, as I was a confirmed invalid and had been for three years, when nine years ago I went down before God for sanctification and the baptism He not only sanctified and gave me the blessed Holy Ghost but healed my body and made me strong and well, when the doctors said there was nothing but an operation would save my life. But praise the Lord I am still living and walking as spry and shouting as loud as any of them, and can still dance a little too, when God sends the power it I am sixty-three years old. Pray for me that I may be the humble instrument of winning some soul for Jesus.

Your sister in Him,
Mrs. W. A. Brawner.

NOTICE

I wish to state to the public that Captain J. H. Ralstin is no longer a member of the Church of God.

I want all the churches of Tennessee that have changed clerks to please give me the names and addresses of the new clerks.

I want all the newly organized churches to send me the names and addresses of the appointed deacons and clerks.

Address me Geo. T. Browner,

2524 Gaut St.,
Cleveland, Tenn.

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Wimauma, Fla.

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Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Greetings in Jesus' name. I want to say that I am a child of God. I was saved when just a child, sanctified two years ago and received the Holy Ghost and talked in tongues one year ago last June. I shall never forget that date. Brother Lemons was holding a revival at Ridgedale, and I went to his meeting and was sitting back in the congregation when the blessed Holy Ghost came in and He spoke such sweet things to my soul. I had often heard, before I ever went to hear this gospel, that they hypnotized the people but God showed me in such a blessed way. I never received either one of the blessings at the mourner's seat but I prayed to God to draw me nearer to Him.

I am so glad I went to the tent at Ridgedale and heard the true Word of God. I am still rejoicing in the way of holiness and determined to go on with Jesus. Someday I expect to see Him face to face and tell Him how I love Him. I praise His name above everything else on earth and oh, how I do love to go and mix and mingle with His people. I love the Church of God so well that I don't want to go anywhere except to church.

Pray for me that I may be true till Jesus comes.

Your sister in Jesus,
Mrs. Mary Beck.

Sampson City, Fla.

Dear Saints of God:

I praise God for the blessings and love He has shown toward me. I feel that if I was called away from this sinful world I would meet my blessed Lord. Praise God for salvation. He will not forsake His dear children if they will only be true. I haven't received the Holy Ghost. I am happy with Jesus. I am trying to get closer to God. I want the Holy Ghost.

We have a good holiness preacher here. I thank God for sending brother A. J. Thomas to preach the gospel of God and try to get sinners saved.

Please pray for me to get in Holy Ghost.

Yours in Jesus,
Mrs. Lettis Browning.

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conflict. One felt led of the Lord to be pastor over two or three churches. This was not arranged according to his leadings, so then the Lord led him? to withdraw fellowship from certain ones. One felt led of the Lord to be pastor at a certain place, but the people did not want him, so in a few days he sent in his credentials and tried to leave the church. Just a little while before this the "Lord led him," according to his own statement, to join the church. The Lord led him to join then the Lord led him to give it up.

These kind of leadings will sooner or later lead people into gross error and harsh disrespectful expressions. It will lead them to try to take advantages and under mine others to carry out their "leadings." It will soon be discovered they are "wire-working" for advantage similar to political schemers. Such as this contrary to good government, and the laws of Jesus that we love so well. Paul at Phil. 4:5 says, "Let your moderation be known unto all men." This means the absence of extremes. This means to stay in the "middle of the road" and let it be known to all men that you are on the middle ground instead of running to excess or extremes.

With a heart full of love for every one we give these few words of admonition, hoping they will be accepted in the same loving gentle spirit in which they are given. Let us keep our lives well balanced on every line, and God will be in our midst and continue to work with us and confirm the Word with signs following. God bless you all. Amen.

Cocoanut Grove, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I have been saved twenty-four years, and three years ago I was sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance.

Praise the Lord. Since I received the Holy Ghost I have been on my mission, seeking lost souls, because I know time is short and I must be about my Father's business. I mean to go all the way with Jesus.

Your brother in Jesus,
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Mrs. Mary Howell.
Oneonta, Ala.

Sampson City, Fla.

Dear Saints:

I praise God for saving me from my sinful ways. I am trying to get closer to my blessed Savior. I don't belong to the Church of God but God knows I believe in His church. I have been a member of the Baptist church for nearly seven years.

I want all Christians to pray for me to receive the Holy Ghost and speak in tongues, if it is His will. Also pray for my mother, brothers and sisters. Let us pray for sinners more than ever before.

May God bless you all.
Yours in Him,
Mrs. Va Browning.

Perry, Fla.

To the Church of God Everywhere:

We want to ask a special request. Our brother and sister has a little girl eleven years old and she has never walked a step in her life, and she is also afflicted otherways. We want you all to join in a special prayer to God that He will heal this child. Its parents say that they believe the Lord can heal it and ask us to pray for it.

W. A. Sullivan.
and Mamie Sullivan.

Hartburg, Texas.

Dear Saints:

I receive the Church of God Evangel and oh, how I do love to get it. I enjoy the good things in it.

I want to ask every one of you to pray for me to be healed. Also pray for my boy to be saved.

I thank the Lord for His goodness to me.

I want some one to come here and hold a meeting.

Mrs. Joe Clark.

Charlotte, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to ask all the saints to pray for me that I may be filled with the Holy Ghost. I never have known whether I was saved or not good enough to tell Jesus face to face that I knew that I was saved. I have thought that I was saved and sanctified. But my experience was not like that of anybody else. I did not see any mountain of sins before me as a sinner. But I felt like I needed to be saved. After I prayed a while I would feel that I could not ask to be saved anymore. But would cry and beg God to sanctify me. Then I would feel a great calm come over me.

I did not feel like making a noise, I just felt that all was peace and calm. It seemed that there was the sweetest voice in my heart praising God. I have been seeking the Holy Ghost three years. Different people at different times and places have seen a light flash over and around me, and then I did not know how to yield up and let the Comforter come in. If there is anything I have to do, I do not know what it is.

I want everybody that can pray to pray that the Lord will turn on the search light from heaven and show me myself as He sees me, and take me through at any cost.

Mrs. A. H. Bryans.

Jacksonville, Fla.

Dear Saints:

Praise God for a full and free salvation. We are saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

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